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Security Council

10:00		7720th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 7
	1.	Adoption of the agenda	
	2.	Meeting of the Security Council with the troop- and police-contributing countries pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B	
		United Nations Disengagement Observer Force	
11:00		7721st meeting [webcast]	Security Council Chamber
	1.	Adoption of the agenda	
	2.	The situation in the Middle East	
Morning (following the adjournment of the 7721st meeting)		Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room
		Middle East (Yemen)	
		Other matters	
15:00		7722nd meeting [webcast]	Security Council Chamber
	1.	Adoption of the agenda	
	2.	The situation in Afghanistan	
		Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (S/2016/532)	

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General Assembly
Seventieth session

10:00 to 11:30 [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal meeting of the plenary to hear a briefing by the Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for Syria, Mr. Staffan de Mistura (via video-conference), the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Mr. Stephen O'Brien, and the Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights, Mr. Ivan Šimonović

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 9 June 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

10:00 Conference Room 12

15:00 Conference Room 9

Informal informal consultations for the fifth review of the Global Counter Terrorism Strategy

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Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples
2016 resumed session

10:00 to 13:00 8th meeting [webcast] Conference Room 2

1. Question of Tokelau (A/AC.109/2016/14 and A/AC.109/2016/L.25)
2. Question of American Samoa (A/AC.109/2016/1 and A/AC.109/2016/L.8)
3. Question of Anguilla (A/AC.109/2016/2 and A/AC.109/2016/L.9)
4. Question of Bermuda (A/AC.109/2016/3 and A/AC.109/2016/L.10)
5. Question of the British Virgin Islands (A/AC.109/2016/4 and A/AC.109/2016/L.11)
6. Question of the Cayman Islands (A/AC.109/2016/5 and A/AC.109/2016/L.12)
7. Question of Guam (A/AC.109/2016/9 and A/AC.109/2016/L.14)
8. Question of Montserrat (A/AC.109/2016/10 and A/AC.109/2016/L.15)
9. Question of Pitcairn (A/AC.109/2016/12 and A/AC.109/2016/L.16)
10. Question of Saint Helena (A/AC.109/2016/13 and A/AC.109/2016/L.17)
11. Question of the Turks and Caicos Islands (A/AC.109/2016/15 and A/AC.109/2016/L.18)
12. Question of the United States Virgin Islands (A/AC.109/2016/16 and A/AC.109/2016/L.19)

13. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations (A/AC.109/2016/L.21)

14. Economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories (A/AC.109/2016/L.22)

15. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (A/AC.109/2016/L.20)

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Meeting of States Parties
Twenty-sixth Meeting

10:00 to 13:00 **188th meeting** **Conference Room 1**

1. Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf (SPLOS/298) [item 10]
   (a) Information reported by the Chair of the Commission
   (b) Conditions of service of the members of the Commission
2. Consideration of budgetary matters of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea [item 11]
   (a) Report on budgetary matters for the financial periods 2013-2014 and 2015-2016 (SPLOS/295)
   (b) Appointment of auditor for financial years 2017-2020 (SPLOS/296)
   (c) Draft budget proposals of the Tribunal for 2017-2018 (SPLOS/2016/WP.1)
   (d) Nomination of a member and an alternate member to the staff pension committee of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (SPLOS/297)

15:00 to 18:00 **189th meeting** **Conference Room 1**

1. Consideration of budgetary matters of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea [item 11]
   (a) Report on budgetary matters for the financial periods 2013-2014 and 2015-2016 (SPLOS/295)
   (b) Appointment of auditor for financial years 2017-2020 (SPLOS/296)
   (c) Draft budget proposals of the Tribunal for 2017-2018 (SPLOS/2016/WP.1)
   (d) Nomination of a member and an alternate member to the staff pension committee of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (SPLOS/297)
2. Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf (SPLOS/298) [item 10]
   (b) Conditions of service of the members of the Commission

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women

Meeting of States parties
Nineteenth Meeting

10:00 to 13:00	1st meeting	Conference Room 4
15:00 to 18:00	2nd meeting (if required)	Conference Room 4

1. Opening of the meeting by the representative of the Secretary-General
2. Election of the Chair
3. Adoption of the agenda (CEDAW/SP/2016/1)
4. Election of other officers of the meeting
5. Election, in accordance with article 17, paragraphs 4 and 5, of the Convention, of eleven members of the Committee to replace those whose terms are due to expire on 31 December 2016 (CEDAW/SP/2016/2 and CEDAW/SP/2016/2/Add.1)
6. Other matters

[Original copies of *credentials and names of delegates*, duly signed by the head of State or government or foreign minister of the State Party may be brought to the room or should be submitted to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York (Attn.: Mr. Nenad Vasić, Room S-1310). Pursuant to article 17, paragraph 4, of the Convention, the *necessary quorum* for the meeting is two-thirds of the States Parties. In order to avoid delay or postponement of the meeting, it is imperative for States Parties to be present at the appointed time for the meeting.

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Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)

10:00 to 13:00	71st meeting [webcast]	Trusteeship Council Chamber
15:00 to 18:00	72nd meeting [webcast]	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 9
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

On the draft resolution of the humanitarian affairs segment (under agenda item 9) of the 2016 session of the Council, convened by the co-facilitators (Bangladesh and Switzerland) on behalf of the Vice-Presidency of the Council (Switzerland)

Committee for Programme and Coordination
Fifty-sixth session

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Programme questions [item 3]

(b) Programme planning

(ii) Proposed strategic framework for the period 2018-2019

Part two: biennial programme plan

Programme 27: Jointly financed activities (A/71/6 (Prog. 27) and A/71/6 (Prog. 27)/Corr.1)

Programme 21: International protection, durable solutions and assistance to refugees (A/71/6 (Prog. 21))

Programme 11: Environment (A/71/6 (Prog. 11))

15:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

1. Programme questions [item 3]

(b) Programme planning

(ii) Proposed strategic framework for the period 2018-2019

Part two: biennial programme plan

Programme 22: Palestine refugees (A/71/6 (Prog. 22))

Programme 26: Internal oversight (A/71/6 (Prog. 26))

Programme 1: General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management (A/71/6 (Prog. 1))

2. Report(s) of the Joint Inspection Unit [item 5]

3. Analysis of the evaluation function in the United Nations system (A/70/686 and A/70/686/Add.1)

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The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa" (under agenda item 66 (b)) (convened by the Permanent Mission of the Sudan)

13:15 to 14:30 Informal consultations Conference Room 9

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Third Industrial Development Decade for Africa (2016-2025)" (under agenda item 15) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Morocco)

15:00 to 18:00 Informal informal consultations Conference Room DC2-0811

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Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room C

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room C

Group of 77 (Oceans and the Law of the Sea)

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

Dialogue on "Building support for key Security Sector Reform priorities in the Central African Republic" (organized by co-chairs of the United Nations Group of Friends of Security Sector Reform (Slovakia and South Africa); in collaboration with the United Nations inter-agency Security Sector Reform Task Force, the Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP))

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Klaudia Bederkova, Permanent Mission of Slovakia (e-mail klaudia.bederkova@mzv.sk).

Workshop on the Structure, Drafting and Adoption of United Nations Resolutions (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR))

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room S-310

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room S-310

For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mails nyo@unitar.org; or pelayo.alvarez@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196; fax 1 (212) 963-4611).

Event entitled "First Cracks in the Syrian Impunity Wall: National Prosecutions Underway in the Courts of Third Party States for Serious Crimes committed in Syria" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Liechtenstein and Qatar)

13:15 to 14:30 [webcast] Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Jörn Eiermann, Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein (e-mail je@nyc.llv.li).

African Group (at the ambassadorial level)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

15:00 to 17:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Panel discussion on the occasion of the International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict (19 June) (A/RES/69/293) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Argentina, the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict and the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Children and Armed Conflict)

15:00 to 17:00 [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. María Rosa Révora, Permanent Mission of Argentina (e-mail mariarrevora@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 688-6300, ext. 227); or Ms. Ida Orbe, Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict (e-mail intern@un.org).

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Wednesday, 22 June 2016

10:00 Conference Room 12

Informal informal consultations of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

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15:00 Conference Room 4

Informal meeting (closed) on the intergovernmental negotiations on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council.

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 14 June 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives.]

Thursday, 23 June 2016

15:00 Conference Room 10

Informal informal consultations on the zero draft modalities resolution for the United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14

Friday, 24 June 2016

15:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal informal consultations on the modalities for the high-level meeting on antimicrobial resistance

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 8 June 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

16:00 Conference Room 2

Informal meeting of the plenary to hear a briefing by the Special Adviser for the Secretary-General on the Summit on Addressing Large Movements of Refugees and Migrants, Ms. Karen Abuzayd, the Assistant High Commissioner for Protection, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Mr. Volker Turk, and the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Mr. Wu Hongbo, on the "global compact on responsibility sharing for refugees" and the "global compact for safe, regular and orderly migration" outlined in the report of the Secretary-General entitled "In safety and dignity: addressing large movements of refugees and migrants" (A/70/59).

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 17 June 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)

Monday, 27, and Tuesday, 28 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 5

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 5

Informal informal consultations on the draft outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)

[Letters from the Co-Chair dated 13 and 16 June 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Informal intergovernmental negotiations on the draft outcome document of the Conference

Wednesday, 29 June, to Friday, 1 July 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/210 of 22 December 2015, informal intergovernmental negotiations on the draft outcome document of the Conference, convened by the Co-Chairs of the Preparatory Committee for the Conference

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Open-ended Working Group on the Fourth Special Session of the General Assembly Devoted to Disarmament
Second substantive session

Monday, 11, to Friday, 15 July 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board

Friday, 24 June 2016

15:00 to 16:30 Informal consultations Conference Room 9

Draft decision 2016/1: Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women on progress made on the strategic plan, 2014-2017 including the Midterm Review of the strategic plan

16:30 to 17:15 Informal consultations Conference Room 9

Draft decision 2016/2: Report on the evaluation function of UN-Women

17:15 to 18:00 Informal consultations Conference Room 9

Draft decision 2016/3: Report on internal audit and investigation activities for the period 1 January to 31 December 2015

Annual session 2016

Monday, 27, and Tuesday, 28 June 2016 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The annotated provisional agenda and work plan for the session are contained in document UNW/2016/L.3. Documentation is available on the UN-Women Executive Board website (please *click here*).

Executive Board members, observers and other organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead) to Ms. Rocio Torres (e-mail rocio.torres@unwomen.org).

For requests to be on the speakers list, per agenda item, please send an e-mail to rocio.torres@unwomen, as early as possible, *but no later than* Wednesday, 22 June 2016.

The upcoming annual session will be PaperSmart as per established practice. All official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal and will not be distributed by conference services during the session. Member States may however make specific requests for hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room.

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Delegations are kindly requested to provide *15 hard copies* of official statements for interpretation and other services, and are encouraged to carry their laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices to be able to access the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Tenth session

Third annual session

Thursday, 23 June 2016

10:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Member States are invited to consult the Commission's website (please *click here*) for more information about the guidelines for participation and for the programme of the event and background documentation. Member States are reminded that access to the morning and/or afternoon working sessions will be allowed *only* to participants in possession of a special pass for the meeting in question. Access passes will be granted *only* to those Member States who pre-registered for the morning or afternoon working session and in accordance with the guidelines for participation (*click here*). Delegates are invited to pick up the access passes *today*, 21 June 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 17:00; in Room S-3058 (c/o Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org)).

Economic and Social Council
Peacebuilding Commission

Joint meeting

Friday, 24 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Joint meeting on "2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and Sustaining Peace"

The meeting will be chaired by the President of the Council, His Excellency Oh Joon (Republic of Korea) and the Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission, His Excellency Macharia Kamau (Kenya).

All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Ms. Sibel Selcuk (e-mail selcuk@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5019); or Mr. Paolo Fontana (e-mail fontana@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4222).

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Wednesday, 22 June 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 12

Thursday, 23 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 6

15:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 9

On the draft resolution of the humanitarian affairs segment (under agenda item 9) of the 2016 session of the Council, convened by the co-facilitators (Bangladesh and Switzerland) on behalf of the Vice-Presidency of the Council (Switzerland)

Dialogue on the longer-term positioning of the United Nations system

Wednesday, 22 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Thursday, 23 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

Workshop 8 of the Economic and Social Council dialogue on the longer-term positioning of the United Nations development system in the context of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development will be convened by the Vice-President of the Council (Honduras). The workshop will focus on the findings and conclusions of the Independent Team of Advisors to the Bureau of the Economic and Social Council as well as the way forward. The background paper for the workshop is available by *clicking here*.

For information on the second phase of the dialogue, *click here* or contact the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Mr. Kirit Patel, e-mail patelk@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3944). Information on the dialogue is available on the website of the Council (*click here*).

Thursday, 23 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations	Conference Room 11
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations	Conference Room 11

On the draft ministerial declaration of the high-level political forum on sustainable development for 2016, convened under the auspices of the Council, and the high-level segment of the 2016 session of the Council, convened by the co-facilitators (Australia and Peru). A letter from the co-facilitators, dated 13 June 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Thursday, 23 June 2016

13:15 to 14:30	Informal informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 9

On the draft resolution entitled "Human settlements" (under agenda item 18 (d)), convened by the facilitator (Singapore)

Humanitarian affairs segment (agenda item 9)

Monday, 27, to Wednesday, 29 June 2016 — Economic and Social Council Chamber

The interactive panel discussion of the Economic and Social Council to discuss *the transition from relief to development* (Council decision 2016/223) will be held on Monday, 27 June 2016, at 10:00, and will be open to all interested participants.

The *2016 humanitarian affairs segment (agenda item 9)*, chaired by the Vice-President of the Council (Switzerland), will open on Monday, 27 June 2016, at 15:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, and is expected to conclude on Wednesday, 29 June 2016, in the afternoon. Pursuant to Council decision 2016/219, the theme of the segment is "Restoring humanity and leaving no one behind: working together to reduce people's humanitarian need, risk and vulnerability".

The provisional programme of the segment is available on the website of the Economic and Social Council (*click here*). For additional information, please contact Mr. Guillaume Fardel, Policy Development and Studies Branch, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (e-mail fardel@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4814).

The *general discussion* of the humanitarian affairs segment will be held on Monday, 27 June, at 15:00, and on Wednesday, 29 June 2016, at 15:00. Inscription on the *list of speakers* is *open*; request for inscription should be sent in writing to the Secretary of the segment, Mr. Moncef Khane (c/o Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org; Room S-1284; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Inscriptions on the list of speakers *will close by 18:00*, on Wednesday, 29 June.

The time limit for statements on behalf of groups is *seven minutes* and *five minutes* for individual delegations.

For inclusion in the *list of participants*, delegations are kindly requested to send the names of the representatives and alternates attending the humanitarian affairs segment to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org; room S-1271, fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that *only*

one list of participants will be issued at the end of the 2016 session of the Council, containing the names of the participants to all segments.

Delegations are reminded that *PaperSmart services* will be offered as an additional service for the meetings of the humanitarian affairs segment of the Council. To access the Council's PaperSmart portal, please *click here*.

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Tuesday, 28 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations	Conference Room 11
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations	Conference Room 11

On the draft ministerial declaration of the high-level political forum on sustainable development for 2016, convened under the auspices of the Council, and the high-level segment of the 2016 session of the Council, convened by the co-facilitators (Australia and Peru). A letter from the co-facilitators, dated 13 June 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

High-level political forum on sustainable development, convened under the auspices of the Council (agenda item 6)

Monday, 11, to Friday, 15 July 2016

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 67/290 and Economic and Social Council resolution 2016/1, the President of the Council, His Excellency Oh Joon (Republic of Korea), will convene the *high-level political forum (agenda item 6) on sustainable development, under the auspices of the Council*, from Monday, 11 July, to Friday, 15 July 2016. The three-day ministerial meeting of the forum, as part of the high-level segment of the Council (agenda item 5 (a)), is scheduled from Monday, 18 July, to Wednesday, 20 July 2016.

The forum, open to all States Members of the United Nations and States members of specialized agencies, as well as the major groups and other relevant stakeholders, will start on Monday, 11 July 2016, at 10:00.

The theme for the forum is "Ensuring that No One is Left Behind". For additional information, please consult the website of the forum (*click here*) or contact Ms. Meng Li, Division for Sustainable Development (e-mail li39@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5652).

For information on registration by the major groups and other stakeholders please *click here*.

High-level segment (agenda item 5 and sub-items (a) to (d))

Monday, 18, to Friday, 22 July 2016

The *high-level segment of the 2016 session of the Economic and Social Council*, including the three-day ministerial meeting of the high-level political forum on sustainable development, convened under the auspices of the Council, and the Development Cooperation Forum will be held from Monday, 18 July, to Friday, 22 July 2016. The high-level segment will open on Monday, 18 July, at 09:00.

Pursuant to Economic and Social Council decision 2015/203, the theme for the 2016 session of the Council is "Implementing the post-2015 development agenda: moving from commitments to results".

The thematic discussion, to be held during the high-level segment, will focus on the theme "Infrastructure for sustainable development for all" in accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2016/213. For additional information, please consult the website of the Council *(click here)* or contact Mr. Gregory Barrett, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination (e-mail barrettg@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4723).

A *general debate* on the theme "Ensuring that no One is Left Behind" will be held on Monday, 18 July 2016, from 17:00 to 19:00, on Tuesday, 19 July, from 17:00 to 19:00, and on Wednesday, 20 July, from 16:30 to 18:30.

The *list of speakers* for the general debate *is open.* All States Members of the United Nations and States members of specialized agencies are invited to inscribe. Inscriptions to the list of speakers will close *by 17:00,* on *Friday, 15 July 2016.*

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; Room S-1286; fax 1 (212) 963-5935), indicating the name and the level of the participant. The list of speakers will be maintained in accordance with the level of representation and on a first-come, first-served basis. Statements in the general debate should not exceed five minutes when speaking in a national capacity, and seven minutes when speaking on behalf of a group.

For inclusion in the *list of participants*, delegations of States Members of the United Nations and States members of specialized agencies, intergovernmental organizations, specialized agencies and related organizations as well as United Nations funds, programmes and other entities, are kindly requested to send the names of representatives and alternates attending the high-level political forum and the high-level segment to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org; Room S-1285; fax 1 (212) 963-5935), with a copy to the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination (Mr. Gregory Barrett, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination (e-mail barrettg@un.org) and to the Division for Sustainable Development (Ms. Meng Li, Division for Sustainable Development (e-mail li39@un.org). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

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Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support" (under agenda item 66 (a)) (convened by the Permanent Mission of South Africa)

Wednesday, 22 June 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Informal informal consultations Conference Room 9

Forthcoming other meetings

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Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

Wednesday, 22 June 2016

11:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Briefing on the work of the International Law Commission (ILC) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina, Italy, Peru and Singapore)

Wednesday, 22 June 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information and to registers, please contact Ms. Annapurani Arunachalam, Permanent Mission of Singapore (e-mail annapurani_arunachalam@mfa.gov.sg).

Informal consultation on the Midterm Review of the Strategic Plan (2014-2017) (organized by the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS))

Wednesday, 22 June 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Elle Wang, UNOPS (e-mail yiyingew@unops.org).

Panel discussion on "No More Children in Institutions: The Success Story of Bulgaria's Child Care Reform" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Bulgaria)

Wednesday, 22 June 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 10

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Asya Tsvetanova, Permanent Mission of Bulgaria (e-mail rsvpbulgariaun@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 737-4790).

Asia-Pacific Group (for the member States of the International Seabed Authority (ISA))

Wednesday, 22 June 2016

15:00 to 17:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Event on the "Global Compact Leaders' Summit: The New Era for Responsible Business" (organized by the United Nations Global Compact)

Wednesday, 22 June 2016

15:00 to 17:00 General Assembly Hall

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Marie Wibe-Daner, United Nations Global Compact (e-mail wibe@un.org; tel. 1 (646) 354-0334).

Panel and open discussion on "Legal and Policy Issues Relating to the Research and Development of Marine Genetic Resources" (organized by the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO))

Thursday, 23 June 2016

08:00 to 09:45 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Roy S. Lee, AALCO (e-mail royslee@optonline.net).

High-level launch of the *World Drug Report 2016* (on the occasion of the International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking (26 June) (A/RES/42/112)) (organized by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

Thursday, 23 June 2016

11:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

For further information and registration, please contact UNODC New York Office (e-mail unodcny@un.org, tel. 1 (212) 963-5698).

Briefing on "Implementing the Action Agenda" (organized by the NGO Relations Section, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information (DPI))

Thursday, 23 June 2016

11:45 to 13:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Hawa Diallo, NGO Relations Section (e-mail diallo9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).

2016 United Nations Population Award Ceremony (organized by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)

Thursday, 23 June 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Lourdeth Ferguson, UNFPA (e-mail ferguson@unfpa.org; tel. 1 (212) 297-4952).

Briefing series on the Quadrennial Comprehensive Policy Review of the General Assembly (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), in collaboration with the Permanent Mission of Switzerland)

Friday, 24 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196); or *click here*.

High-level panel discussion on "Addressing the challenges to safety of journalists posed by terrorist threat" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Lithuania)

Monday, 27 June 2016

11:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Ruta Jazukeviciute, Permanent Mission of Lithuania (email lithuaniaun@gmail.com).

International Criminal Court: Working Group on the Amendments of the Assembly

Monday, 27 June 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Meeting of the Group of Friends of the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))

Wednesday, 29 June 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Anna Pavlyuchenko, UNAOC (e-mail annap@unops.org; tel. 1 (929) 274-6217).

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Wednesday, 29 June 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Event entitled "International Youth Engagement to Prevent and Counter Violent Extremism" (organized by the Mission of Norway, in collaboration with YouthCAN)

Friday, 1 July 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Audun Hjort, Mission of Norway (e-mail audun.lunnan.hjort@mfa.no; tel. 1 (646) 207-6148).

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

International Seabed Authority
Twenty-second session
Kingston, Jamaica (4-22 July 2016)

The twenty-second session of the International Seabed Authority will take place in Kingston, Jamaica from Monday, 4, to Friday, 22 July, 2016. The programme of work, information note on matters before the session and all official session documents can be accessed from the International Seabed Authority web site (*click here*).

The meetings of the Legal and Technical Commission and Finance Committee will take place from Monday, 4, to Monday, 11 July 2016, while the Assembly and Council will hold their first meeting on Tuesday, 12 July.

Delegations are reminded to transmit their credentials prior to the start of the session to Ms. Avril Pereira (e-mail apereira@isa.org.jm).

Announcements

International Law Seminar for African Universities — Urgent appeal for voluntary contributions

The first International Law Seminar for African Universities is scheduled to take place at the Kofi Annan Centre in Accra, Ghana, from Monday, 15, to Friday, 26 August 2016, to promote capacity building in international law education for the benefit of teachers from academic institutions and government training centres throughout the region.

The African Institute of International Law will conduct the seminar in cooperation with the host country, Ghana, the Kofi Annan Centre, the African Union and the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/116.

Information concerning the seminar is available on the website of the African Institute of International Law. The seminar is subject to funding by voluntary contributions.

The Permanent Representative of Ghana to the United Nations wishes to express her gratitude to China, Finland, Italy and New Zealand for their generous contributions to support the seminar. Additional voluntary contributions are urgently needed to support this seminar.

For more information, please see the website of the African Institute of International Law (*click here*); or contact the Secretary of the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance, Ms. Virginia Morris (e-mail morrisv@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2016:

Nineteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (*today*, 21 June 2016): election to replace *eleven* members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information);

Thirty-fifth meeting of States parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (23 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Human Rights Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information); and

Sixteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (30 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child whose terms expire on 28 February 2017 (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Original copies of credentials and names of delegates, duly signed by the head of state or government or foreign minister, for all other meetings should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn. Nenad Vasic (e-mail vasic@un.org; Room S-1310)).

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training (in English) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *June 2016*:

América Latina y El Caribe: recursos de información (Spanish)

General Assembly documentation

Introduction to United Nations documents (Spanish)

Research on the United Nations Charter

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*). For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

The report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been issued in document A/70/723, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's report, contained in document A/70/824.

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* is published by the Security Council Affairs Division, in the Department of Political Affairs. It is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest published volume (Sixteenth Supplement) covers the years 2008 to 2009.

For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Seventeenth Supplement (2010-2011), as well as several Parts of the Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) are available in their advance versions on line by *clicking here*.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 20 June 2016

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

2016 resumed session

[archived video]

6th meeting *Adoption of the agenda* [item 1]

The Special Committee approved its provisional agenda.

Special Committee decision of 22 June 2015 concerning Puerto Rico: Hearing of petitioners [item 2]

The Chair drew attention to the aide-mémoire 02/16/Add.1 and to the decision of the Committee at its 3rd meeting to establish a deadline for receiving and processing requests for hearing relating to Puerto Rico, which expired at noon, on Wednesday, 15 June 2016.

The Committee decided to accede to those requests.

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran made a statement, on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement.

Hearing of Petitioners

The Special Committee heard statements by Mr. Alejandro J. García Padilla, Estado Libre Asociado de Puerto Rico; Mr. Mark Anthony Bimbela, Colegio de Abogados de Puerto Rico; Mr. Angel A. Toledo López, Boricua ¡Ahora Es!; Mr. Félix R. Huertas González, Asociación Puertorriqueña de Historiadores; Mr. Héctor Bermudez-Zenón, Grupo por la Igualdad y la Justicia de Puerto Rico; Mr. Ramón Nenadich, Estado Nacional Soberano de Borinken; Mr. Héctor Pesquera Sevillano, Movimiento Independentista Nacional Hostosiano; Ms. Olga I. Sanabria Dávila, Comité de Puerto Rico en Naciones Unidas (COPRONU); Mr. Edgardo Román Espada, Coalición Puertorriqueña contra la Pena de Muerte; Mr. Benjamin Ramos Rosado, The ProLibertad Freedom Campaign; Ms. María de Lourdes Santiago, Partido Independentista Puertorriqueño; Ms. Alyson Kennedy, Socialist Workers Party; Ms. Carmen Yulín Cruz Soto, Municipio Autónomo de San Juan; Mr. Francis A. Boyle, International Human Rights Association of American Minorities; Mr. Ivan Rivera, Movimiento Amplio Soberanista de Puerto Rico (MAS); Ms. Vilma M. Machín Vázquez, Fundación Yo Soy Boricua, Inc.; Ms. Graciela Ortiz-Pagán, Alianza Comunitaria de Borinkén; Mr. Ricardo Rosselló, Partido Nuevo Progresista; Mr. Orlando J. Ortiz Aviles, Juventud Boricua; Mr. Juan Antonio Castillo, Coordinadora de Solidaridad Diáspora Boricua (COSODIBO); Ms. Marieliza Nevares Ramos, Coordinadora Mexicana de Apoyo al Estado Nacional Soberano de Borinken; and Mr. José M. Umpierre Mellado, Acción Soberanista.

A statement was made by the representative of Cuba.

7th meeting — The summary of the 7th meeting of the Special Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2016/121).

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Meeting of States Parties
Twenty-sixth Meeting

186th meeting — *Opening of the twenty-sixth Meeting by the President of the twenty-fifth Meeting* [item 1]

The President of the twenty-fifth Meeting of States Parties opened the twenty-sixth Meeting and made a statement.

Minute of silent prayer or meditation [item 2]

The Meeting observed a minute of silent prayer or meditation.

The President of the twenty-fifth Meeting of States Parties made a statement.

Election of the President [item 3]

The Meeting elected Ms. Georgina Guillén-Grillo, Minister Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Costa Rica, as President of the twenty-sixth Meeting of States Parties, by acclamation.

The President of the twenty-fifth Meeting of States Parties made a statement.

The President of the twenty-sixth Meeting of States Parties made a statement.

The Meeting thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 3.

Statement by the United Nations Legal Counsel

The United Nations Legal Counsel made a statement.

Adoption of the agenda [item 4]

The President made a statement.

A statement was made by the representative of the United Kingdom.

The Meeting adopted, with amendments, the agenda to be issued as document SPLOS/299.

The Meeting thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 4.

Election of Vice-Presidents [item 5]

The President made a statement.

The delegation of South Africa made a statement on behalf of the Group of African States.

The delegation of Japan made a statement on behalf of the Group of Asia-Pacific States.

The delegation of Norway made a statement on behalf of the Group of Western European and other States.

The delegation of Bulgaria made a statement on behalf of the Group of Eastern European States.

His Excellency Rohan Perera (Sri Lanka), Mr. Mehdi Remaoun of Algeria and Mr. Kristian Andri Stefansson (Iceland) were elected Vice-Presidents of the twenty-sixth Meeting of States Parties, by acclamation.

The President made a statement.

Appointment of the Credentials Committee [item 6]

The President made a statement.

The delegation of South Africa made a statement on behalf of the Group of African States.

The delegation of Japan made a statement on behalf of the Group of Asia-Pacific States.

The delegation of Norway made a statement on behalf of the Group of Western European and other States.

The delegation of Bulgaria made a statement on behalf of the Group of Eastern European States.

The Meeting appointed a Credentials Committee consisting of the following States Parties: Bulgaria, Gabon, Morocco, Nepal, State of Palestine and the United Kingdom.

The President made a statement.

Organization of work [item 7]

Following consultations with the Bureau, the President made a statement. The Meeting agreed on the President's proposal for the organization of work.

The President made a statement.

The Meeting thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 7.

General statements

The delegation of South Africa made a statement on behalf of the Group of African States.

Report of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea to the Meeting of States Parties for 2015 (SPLOS/294) [item 8]

The President of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea made a statement.

The President made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Trinidad and Tobago, Indonesia, Germany, Thailand and Japan.

The President made a statement.

The Secretary of the Meeting of States Parties made an announcement.

187th meeting — The summary of the 187th meeting of the twenty-sixth Meeting of States Parties will appear in the next issue of the Journal (No. 2016/121).

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Committee for Programme and Coordination

Fifty-sixth session

22nd meeting — *Election of officers* [item 1]

The Committee proceeded with the election for the post of the Vice-Chair of the Committee.

The Committee elected, by acclamation, Ms. Alexandra Pimenta (Portugal) as Vice-Chair of the Committee for Programme and Coordination.

Tuesday, 14 June 2016

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of States Parties

Ninth session

[archived video]

1st meeting — *Opening of the ninth session of the Conference of States Parties* [item 1]

The meeting was opened by His Excellency Oh Joon, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations, in his capacity as the President of the Conference of States Parties.

Adoption of the agenda [item 2]

The agenda was adopted without objection.

Organization of work [item 3]

Statements were made by His Excellency Oh Joon, President of the Conference; His Excellency Mogens Lykkentoft, President of General Assembly; Mr. Edmond Mulet, Chef de Cabinet on behalf of His Excellency Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations; Ms. María Soledad Cisternas Reyes, Chair of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; and Ms. Yeni Rosa Mimayanti, a representative of civil society.

The Secretary made an announcement.

Election of the members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities [item 4]

In accordance with arrticle 34 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the meeting began its consideration of this agenda item and elected the following nine members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities whose terms will begin on 1 January 2017: Mr. Ahmad Alsaif (Saudi Arabia); Mr. Monthian Buntan (Thailand); Mr. Imed Eddine Chaker (Tunisia); Mr. Jun Ishikawa (Japan); Mr. Samuel Njuguna Kabue (Kenya); Mr. Laszlo Gabor Lovaszy (Hungary); Mr. Robert George Martin (New Zealand); Mr. Martin Babu Mwesigwa (Uganda); and Mr. Valery Nikitich Rukhledev (Russian Federation).

Matters related to the implementation of the Convention: General debate: implementing the 2030 development agenda for all persons with disabilities: leaving no one behind [item 5 (a)]

The meeting began its consideration of agenda 5 (a) and heard statements by representatives of Poland, New Zealand, Sweden, San Marino, Denmark, Jordan, Finland, the Niger, India, Kenya, Malta, the Russian Federation and Argentina.

2nd meeting

Matters related to the implementation of the Convention: General debate: implementing the 2030 development agenda for all persons with disabilities: leaving no one behind [item 5 (a)]

The meeting continued its consideration of this agenda item and heard statements by representatives of Portugal, Japan, Ukraine, South Africa, the United Kingdom, Malaysia, Estonia, the United Republic of Tanzania, Namibia, Albania, Egypt, the Republic of Korea, Italy, Brazil, China, Guatemala, the European Union, Slovenia, Israel, Peru, Panama, Kazakhstan, State of Palestine, Spain, Viet Nam, Belgium, El Salvador, Costa Rica, the Philippines, Thailand, Lithuania, Andorra and Australia.

Statements were made by civil society representatives from the European Disability Forum and the International Disability Alliance.

Wednesday, 15 June 2016

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of States Parties
Ninth session

[archived video]

3rd meeting

Matters related to the implementation of the Convention: General debate: implementing the 2030 development agenda for all persons with disabilities: leaving no one behind [item 5 (a)]

The meeting continued its consideration of agenda item 5 (a) and heard the statements by representatives of the Netherlands, Senegal, Mexico, Paraguay, Turkey, Germany, the Dominican Republic, Sri Lanka, the United Arab Emirates, Bulgaria, Austria, Cyprus, Ecuador, Colombia and Indonesia.

Matters related to the implementation of the Convention: Round table 1: eliminating poverty and inequality for all persons with disabilities [item 5 (b)]

The meeting began its consideration of agenda item 5 (b), chaired by Ms. Ellen Maduhu (United Republic of Tanzania). Presentations were made by Ms. Åsa Regnér, Ministry for Children, the Elderly and Gender Equality, Sweden; Mr. Joelson Dias, Special Committee of Federal Council of the Brazilian Bar Association; Ms. Silvia Quan, Disability Ombudsperson, Guatemala; Mr. Abdallah Possi, Deputy Minister for Disability Issues, Prime Minister's Office, United Republic of Tanzania; and Ms. Emi Aizawa, Japan International Cooperation Agency.

Statements were made by the representatives of Denmark, Argentina, Portugal, Morocco, the Sudan, Canada, Chile, Malaysia, the European Union and Namibia.

The Chair made a statement and closed the roundtable 1 and the 3rd meeting.

4th meeting

Matters related to the implementation of the Convention: General debate: implementing the 2030 development agenda for all persons with disabilities: leaving no one behind [item 5 (a)]

The meeting was chaired by His Excellency Sebastiano Cardi (Italy), Vice-President of the Conference.

The meeting continued its consideration of agenda item 5 (a) and heard statements by the representatives of Canada, Norway, Myanmar, Switzerland, Singapore, Morocco, Kuwait, Romania, Saudi Arabia, the Czech Republic, Zimbabwe and Burkina Faso.

A statement was made by a representative of Inclusion International.

A statement was made by the representative of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR).

Matters related to the implementation of the Convention: Round table 2: promoting the rights of persons with mental and intellectual disabilities [item 5 (c)]

The meeting began its consideration of agenda item 5 (c). Presentations were made by Ms. Catalina Devandas-Aguilar, Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; Ms. Teresa Di Fiandra, Ministry of Health, Italy; Mr. Mesbah Ansari Dogaheh, Islamic Republic of Iran; Ms. Loretta Claiborne, Special Olympics International; Mr. Paul Deany, Disability Rights Fund; Ms. Mercedes Juan, National Commission for the Development and Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities, Mexico; and Mr. Mark Mapemba, Parents of Disabled Children, Malawi.

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, the Syrian Arab Republic, Panama, China, New Zealand and Guatemala, and by representatives of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Disabled Persons International, Rehabilitation International, World Network of Users and Survivors of Psychiatry (Europe), Dementia Alliance International, World Federation of the Deaf and the Arab Organization of Persons with Disabilities.

Thursday, 16 June 2016

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of States Parties
Ninth session

[archived video]

5th meeting

The meeting was co-chaired by Mr. Pawel Radomski, Charge d'affaire a.i. (Poland), Vice-President of the Conference, and Mr. Gary Birch, Council of Canadians with Disabilities.

Matters related to the implementation of the Convention: General debate: implementing the 2030 development agenda for all persons with disabilities: leaving no one behind [item 5 (a)]

The meeting continued its consideration of agenda item 5 (a) and heard statements by the representatives of Nicaragua, Chile, Bangladesh, Qatar, Burundi, Sudan, Cuba, Guinea and Ghana.

Matters related to the implementation of the Convention: Round table 3: enhancing the accessibility of information and technology and inclusive development [item 5 (d)]

The meeting began its consideration of agenda 5 (d) and heard presentations by Ms. Justyne Caruana, Ministry of Family and Social Solidarity, Malta; Mr. Rait Kuuse, Ministry of Social Affairs, Estonia; Mr. Mukhtar Al Shibani, Global Alliance on Accessible Technologies and Environments (GAATES); Mr. Magino Corporan Lorenzon, National Council on Disability, Dominican Republic; and Ms. Theresia Degener, Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

The meeting heard statements by the representatives of China, Mexico, Canada, G3ict, the European Union, the Rehabilitation International, Sierra Leone, the International Federation for Hard of Hearing People, South Africa and Sweden.

6th meeting

The meeting was chaired by His Excellency Oh Joon, President of the Conference.

Matters related to the implementation of the Convention: General debate: implementing the 2030 development agenda for all persons with disabilities: leaving no one behind [item 5 (a)]

The meeting continued its consideration of agenda item 5 (a) and heard statements by the representatives of Georgia, Sierra Leone, Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Maldives and Antigua and Barbuda.

A statement was made by the representative of the country group, MIKTA (Mexico, Indonesia, Republic of Korea, Turkey and Australia).

A statement was made by the representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Statements were made by the representatives of the following international organizations: United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction, International Labour Organisation, World Health Organisation and World Intellectual Property Organization.

Statements were made by the representatives of the following civil society organizations: Disable People's International, Rehabilitation International, and Arab organization of persons with disabilities.

Interactive dialogue on implementation of the Convention between States parties and the United Nations system: celebrating the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities [item 6]

The meeting began its consideration of agenda item 6, which was chaired by His Excellency Oh Joon, (Republic of Korea) President of the Conference. Presentations were made by Mr. Lenni Montiel, Assistant Secretary- General, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA); Mr. Facundo Chavez Penillas, Human Rights and Disability Advisor, Office of Higher Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR); Ms. Agnes Hurwitz, Senior Policy Advisor, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, New York Office, Mr. Roi Chiti, Chief Technical Advisor, United Nations Programme on Housing and Human Settlement (UN-Habitat); and Ms. Charlotte V. McClain-Nhlapo, Global Disability Advisor, World Bank Group.

Presentations by other bodies and mandate holders were made by Ms. María Soledad, Chair of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; Ms. Catalina Devadas Aguilar, Special Rapporteur on the Rights of the Persons with Disabilities of Human Rights Council; and His Excellency Lenin Moreno Garces, Special Envoy on Disability and Accessibility.

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, South Africa, Sierra Leone, the Russian Federation, Costa Rica, Argentina and the United Kingdom.

Decisions by the Conference of States Parties [item 7]

The meeting unanimously adopted the decisions without objection.

Closing of the meeting [item 8]

The meeting heard statements by the representatives of Poland, Italy, the United Republic of Tanzania and Brazil.

The Chair announced that the results of regional consultations for the incoming bureau of the Conference of States Parties including Bulgaria (Presidency-designate) and four vice presidency-designate: Tunisia (Africa), Sri Lanka (Asia), Ecuador (GRULAC) and Germany (WEOG).

The Chair made a statement and announced the close of the ninth session of the Conference of States Parties.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. Montego Bay, 10 December 1982

Accession: Azerbaijan (16 June 2016)

Agreement relating to the implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982. New York, 28 July 1994

Accession: Azerbaijan (16 June 2016)

Paris Agreement. Paris, 12 December 2015

Ratification: Norway (20 June 2016)

Seminar on Treaty Law and Practice for the Region of Latin America and the Caribbean
Mexico City (18-20 July 2016)

The seminar is co-organized by the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations (OLA) and the Office of the Legal Advisor of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the United Mexican States.

The seminar will address the key aspects of treaty law and practice, including the depositary functions of the Secretary-General, final clauses of multilateral treaties, reservations and declarations, domestic treaty-making practices, and the registration and publication of treaties under article 102 of the Charter. In addition, special sessions will be devoted to international human rights instruments and the newly-adopted Paris Agreement on Climate Change. All presentations will be delivered in Spanish.

Aimed at providing a practical understanding of the law of treaties, the seminar will be of particular interest to members of foreign ministries and other government departments who work directly in treaty matters as part of their functions. Representatives from all States in the region of Latin America and the Caribbean are invited to participate. Participants are required to meet their own costs of participation.

For more information, please consult the United Nations Treaty Collection website (*click here*).

Further enquiries may be addressed to Mr. Jonathan Agar, Legal Officer, Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail agar@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2630).

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *June 2016* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States
Zambia
Her Excellency Mwaba Patricia Kasese-Bota

Asia-Pacific States
Japan

His Excellency Yoshifumi Okamura
Chargé d'affaires

Eastern European States
Bulgaria
His Excellency Stephan Tafrov

Latin American and Caribbean States
Barbados
His Excellency Keith Hamilton Llewellyn Marshall

Western European and other States
Norway
His Excellency Geir Pedersen

General Assembly
Seventieth session

For the online schedule of formal and informal meetings of the General Assembly during the resumed part of the seventieth session, please *click here*.

For the *list of speakers*, delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

For the submission of a *draft resolution* for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

For *announcement for Member States on issuance of communications*, delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations.

The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

For *future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council* pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, the elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council will take place on Tuesday, 28 June 2016.

Candiweb – A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York, to access it, please *click here*.

Seventy-first session

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/71/50.

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first regular session of the General Assembly was issued in document A/71/100.

Seating protocol for the seventy-first session

On Monday, 13 June 2016, the Secretary-General drew, from among the Member States, the name of Bolivia (Plurinational State of) to occupy the first seat in the General Assembly Hall at the seventy-first session. Consequently, the delegation of the Plurinational State of Bolivia, will sit at the first desk at the right of the President, and the other countries will follow in the English alphabetical order. The same order will be observed in the Main Committees.

The list of speakers for the general debate of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly *is open* for inscriptions. Delegations are invited to send requests for inscription through the e-Speakers system available at http://delegate.un.int. Notes verbales from the Secretariat in this regard, dated 16 May, 23 May and 3 June 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives.

Request for conference rooms and services at United Nations Headquarters

For reservation of conference rooms at United Nations Headquarters, please contact the Meeting Management Section/Central Planning and Coordination Division/Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (MMS/CPCD/DGACM) (e-mail emeetsm@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8114; or 1 (212) 963-7351).

After a conference room has been assigned in eMeets, please contact the following offices if other services are also needed:

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